

TO OUR SUBSCRIBERS.

WE call the attention of our subscribers to the dates printed with their names upon the address labels. These will intimate, in every case, the date to which the subscriber has paid; and a great many will find that they have fallen behind. We wish it understood that subscriptions in arrears are to be paid at once. We are doing our best to make the paper all that it professes to be; and while it gives manifest pleasure to its thousands of readers, we want them to bear in mind the commercial side of the arrangement, and to pay up all arrearages without obliging us to undertake anything to jeopardize the pleasant relationships which bind us even to our tardiest friends. Please do not mistake this as one of the humorisms of the paper,—it is the production solely of the business department.

TORONTO OPERA HOUSE.

A LARGE audience greeted Peck's Bad Boy at the above house last night. There is not a vulgar or suggestive line or situation in the entire play. The audience certainly enjoyed it. The performance is sure to draw crowded houses the balance of the week. Matinee to-day.

THE GREAT GILMORE.—The music lovers of Toronto are on the tip-toe of excitement over the coming of the Great Gilmore and his big band on June 4th and 5th. Three concerts are to be given at the Pavilion, and it is safe to say that the event will eclipse anything in the musical history of our city. In addition to the famous band, with its artillery attachments, and the chorus of the Philharmonic Society, Mr. Gilmore will introduce four celebrated vocalists, one of whom is Charles Turner, the foremost operatic tenor of England. The seats are being rapidly subscribed for, and those who purpose to enjoy one or more of the concerts should lose no time in entering their names at Nordheimer's or Suckling's.

WE want to show every business man in Toronto the advantages of our typewriter over all others, and any merchant who will kindly let us know that he wants to see our machine, we will send one for inspection. The Hammond typewriter is fast becoming the most popular machine on the market, and all who contemplate purchasing a typewriter should not fail to examine the Hammond before purchasing. The office is located at 65 & 67 Yonge Street.

EVERY one who would like to know something about *Montreal*, should secure a copy of *Murray's New Guide*. Price, 15 cents. For sale by the booksellers, also by the author, N. Murray, 498 St. James Street, *Montreal*, agent for Grip Printing and Publishing Co.

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To the Editor:—Please inform your readers that I have a positive remedy for the above named disease. By its timely use thousands of hopeless cases have been permanently cured. I shall be glad to send two bottles of my remedy FREE to any of your readers who have consumption, if they will send me their Express and P.O. address.

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L. R. T. A. SLOCUM, 37 Yonge St., Toronto, Ont.

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SUFFERERS are not generally aware that these diseases are contagious, or that they are due to living parasites in the lining membrane of the nose and eustachian tubes. Microscopic research has proved this fact, and it is now made easy to cure this curse of our country in one or two simple applications made once in two weeks by the patient at home. Send stamp for circulars describing this new treatment to A. H. Dixon & Son, 303 King Street West, Toronto, Canada.

THE late Barghash Bin Saed, Sultan of Zanzibar, leaves twenty-seven widows and 232 children. Enough has Bin Saed.—*New York World*.

DOGS are not allowed to pick their company. That is why you so often see a \$75 dog out walking with a fifteen cent man.—*Yonkers Statesman*.

THE youth who spreads out the wings of his fancy and swears he is twenty-one for a marriage license, lays aside all minor consideration.—*Duluth Paragapher*.

DOUGLAS JERROLD was once asked by an intolerable bore, who affected to be a poet of the Milton school, whether he had read his "Decent Into Hell." "No, sir," responded the irate wit, "but I should like to see it."—*Ex.*

THEY have a way out in Kansas of bringing to time unruly members of the legislature. Mr. Funstan, member of the committee on agriculture, was late at a committee meeting, and the chairman fined him six cans of corn.—*Commercial Advertiser*.

AT A CONCERT.—Pretty woman, with knowledge of and passion for music, asks her escort: "Colonel, are you fond of music?" "Madam," replies the great warrior rolling his eyes savagely and frowning portentously, "I am not afraid of it."

JUDGE: "You were caught in the act of taking a valuable fur out of a shop window. This has occurred several times before now. Do you admit having committed these robberies?" Prisoner: "Well, your Honor, you see, I have had an influenza for the last few days, and my doctor recommended me to take something warm every morning."—*Le Grelot*.

THEY have found out the name of the man who told "Ali Baba" and "Aladdin" to the French translator of the "Arabian Nights." As he told it something over a hundred years ago, we suppose there is no use in asking for his address; but we did want it to send to Mr. William Dean Howells. Mr. Howells ought to want to hear a story by this time—yep, he ought to hone after it.—*Puck*.

To say a good man's in his vault
Would not be risky.
For he was generous to a fault—
His love of whiskey.

—*Tid-Bits*.

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TO THE DEAF.—A Person cured of Deafness and noises in the head of 23 years' standing, by a simple remedy, will send a description of it FREE to any Person who applies to NICHOLSON, 30 St. John Street, Montreal.

As Artemus Ward was once travelling in the cars, dreading to be bored, and feeling miserable, a man approached him, sat down and said:

"Did you hear the last thing on Horace Greeley?"

"Greeley? Greeley?" said Artemus.

"Horace Greeley? Who is he?"

The man was quiet about five minutes. Pretty soon he said:

"George Francis Train is kicking up a good deal of a row over in England; do you think they will put him in a bastille?"

"Train? Train? George Francis Train?" said Artemus, solemnly. "I never heard of him."

This ignorance kept the man quiet for fifteen minutes; then he said:

"What do you think about General Grant's chances for the presidency? Do you think they will run him?"

"Grant? Grant? Hang it, man," said Artemus, "you appear to know more strangers than any man I ever saw."

The man was furious. He walked up the car, but at last came back and said:

"You confounded ignoramus: did you ever hear of Adam?"

Artemus looked up and said: "What was his other name?"—*Commercial Advertiser's Scrap Book*.

A PROPOSAL OF MARRIAGE.—"Just think, Laura, what happiness. Here is a proposal from the wealthy owner of an immense managerie, and he assures me that he is now in want of nothing more than me."

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